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In re Application of:	)	
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Hiroaki AWANO	)	Confirmation No.: 8069
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Application No.: 10/681,127	)	Group Art Unit: 2854
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 9, 2007, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the period for response to which extends through June 11, 2007 (June 9-10, 2007 being a weekend), entry of the following amendments is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.